

# GovBenefits.gov Overview



## Agenda

- What is GovBenefits.gov and why is it needed?
- Who is supporting GovBenefits.gov?
- How can your organization partner with GovBenefits.gov?



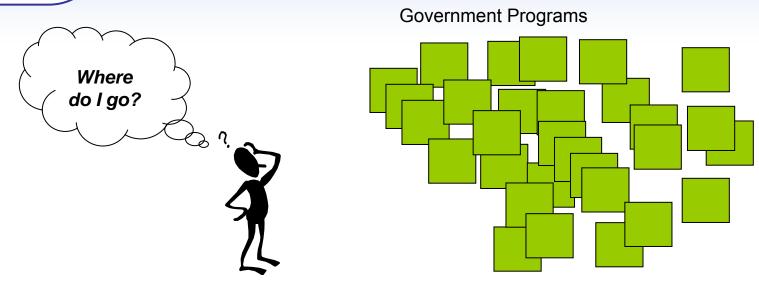
## What is GovBenefits.gov?

- GovBenefits.gov helps individuals identify benefit programs relevant to their needs
  - Central, web-based source of information about individualfocused benefits programs offered by the government
  - Individuals answer questions to receive a list of programs for which they may be eligible, along with relevant points of contact for the programs





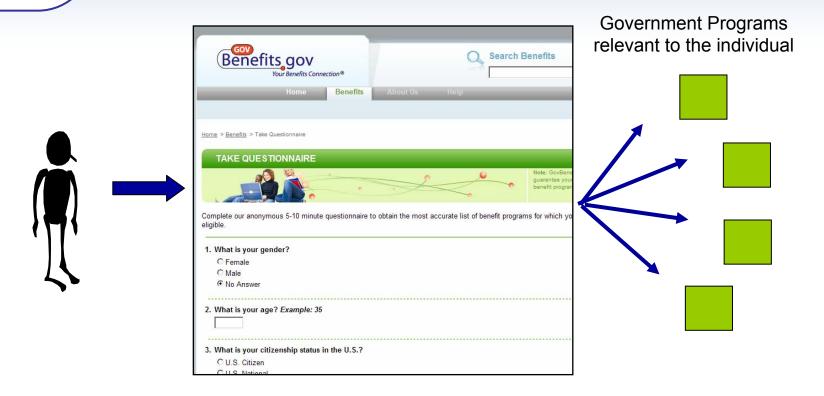
## Why is GovBenefits.gov needed?



 Government benefit information is available on the web, but it's scattered across millions of State and Federal websites



## GovBenefits.gov simplifies the search



- Individual does not need to understand the Federal government structure
- Individual does not need to know which government agency provides which programs
- GovBenefits.gov focuses on the needs of each individual



### Who is supporting GovBenefits.gov?

- GovBenefits.gov is one of 22
   eGovernment initiatives
   sponsored by the Office of
   Management and Budget
   (OMB), via the President's
   Management Agenda
- Benefit program content is provided by a wide range of government organizations at the Federal and State levels

#### Supporting Agencies

- U.S. Department of Labor (managing partner)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Department of Commerce
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- U.S. Department of Interior
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Small Business Administration

Social Security Administration

- U.S. Department of State
- U.S. Department of Transportation
- U.S. Department of Treasury
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs



## GovBenefits.gov Community of stakeholders

Related eGov Initiatives

- USA Services (GSA)
- eAuthentication (GSA)
- Disaster Assistance (DHS)
- Grants.gov (HHS)
- Business Gateway (SBA)

Office of Management & Budget (OMB)

1 of 24 eGov Initiatives

#### GovBenefits.gov

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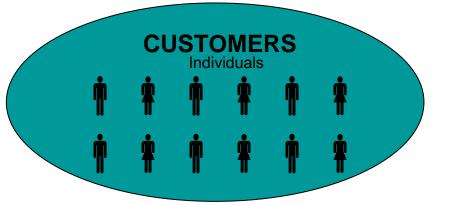
GovBenefits.gov Partners

Related GSA Programs

- FirstGov
- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)

## **EXTENDED STAKEHOLDERS**

- Federal Agencies
- State & Local Governments
- Support & Advocacy Organizations
- · Regulatory & Oversight Organizations





#### What does it mean to be a GovBenefits.gov Partner?

- A GovBenefits.gov partner can be any government organization that distributes Federal funds to the American public
  - If your organization administers Federally funded programs to the American public, then you can request to have your benefit programs added to GovBenefits.gov
- There are different types of GovBenefits.gov Partners:
  - Funding Partners partners play an active role in program decisions through their participation on the GovBenefits.gov Governance Board and Change Control Board
  - Nonfunding Partners provide benefit program content and work with the GovBenefits.gov team to maintain current data on the site



#### Which programs should be included on GovBenefits.gov?

- 1. Can an individual citizen benefit directly from this program?
- 2. Does my agency define key beneficiary eligibility requirements?
- If you can answer "Yes" to these questions, the program should most likely be included in GovBenefits.gov
- Put yourself in the individual beneficiary's shoes Is this a program you would want to know about if you fit the beneficiary profile?



#### Partners work with GovBenefits.gov staff to create content

Introduction to GovBenefits.gov

(Determine Partnership Qualifications)

Partner Identifies

Benefit Programs

and Program

Managers

GovBenefits.gov
Works with
Program
Manager to
Validate Content

Content Creation Process Program
Appears in
GovBenefits.gov

Program manager completes benefit program worksheets to capture all relevant program information

GovBenefits.gov works with program manager to craft the program description and eligibility requirements in "citizen-friendly" language

GovBenefits.gov works with program manager to identify pre-screening questions to assign to the benefit program(s)

**Program contact approves content** 



## For more information...

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